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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| | : | Examiner: L.X. Xu |
| KAZUHIKO FUKUTANI ET AL. |) | |
| | : | Group Art Unit: 1775 |
| Application No.: 10/653,978 |) | |
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| Filed: September 4, 2003 |) | |
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| For: POROUS MATERIAL AND |) | |
| PRODUCTION PROCESS | : | |
| THEREOF |) | April 1, 2005 |

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

I. Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the final Office Action dated December 2, 2004 for one (1) month, from March 2, 2005 to April 2, 2005 (Saturday). A check in the amount of \$120.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

II. Further to the Amendment filed on February 4, 2005, this is in response to the final Office Action dated December 2, 2004, the period for reply having been extended by the above petition and payment of the extension fee. Prior to the continued

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examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.